

**TROTSKY'S SCHEME OF NO WAR,
NO PEACE REJECTED BY HUNS;
KAISER TO MOVE ON PETROGRAD**

Hostile Decision is Reached at
Conference of the War
Lords.

ARMISTICE IS AT AN END

According to Amsterdam Reports
Germany, in Role of Protector, Will
Endeavor to Gain Control of Uk-
raine and Other Russian States.

By Associated Press.
LONDON, Feb. 15.—Germany has
solved to renew military activities
against northern Russia. This de-
cision is said to have been reached
at a conference at imperial headquar-
ters, special dispatches from Holland
say.

The conference was attended by
emperor William, Chancellor von
Bethmann, Field Marshal Hindenburg,
General von Ludendorff, Foreign Sec-
retary von Kuhlmann and others.
The "no war, but no peace" plan of
son Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign
minister, was rejected at the confer-
ence, according to the Amsterdam
correspondent of the Daily Express
and as Trotsky does not want peace
will get war.

Invasion of Great Russia, it is ad-
ded, will continue at any rate until
Petrograd is occupied by German
troops.

A dispatch to the Daily News from
Amsterdam says that the Germans take
a view that Trotsky's declaration, al-
though it did not end the war, auto-
matically ended the armistice. The
Germans now consider that they have
free hand and mean to use the op-
portunity. This, according to the cor-
respondent, does not mean neces-
sarily that the Germans will immedi-
ately reach Petrograd but more prob-
ably that they will support the Uk-
rainians by force of arms. The Ger-
mans, he says, are carrying on active
operations in Ukraine for the pur-
pose of suggesting to the Reds that
the new state is endangered by the
Bolsheviks.

It is declared that this is all part
of Germany's scheme for breaking up
a former Russian empire with a
view to extending her own power
and influence over the new states, of
which it is posing as protector.

**MANIA READY
TO CONSIDER PEACE**

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 15.—Berlin
papers of Thursday evening in-
dicate that peace negotiations with
Ukraine are about to be opened.
They say that although no official
communication has been issued it may
be assumed that Rumanian negotia-
tions, who will first discuss a prolon-
gation of the armistice, have arrived
at a place agreed upon.

INCREASED PAY

Rural Mail Carriers and Postmas-
ters at Small Offices Is Urged.
By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Fourth
Postmaster General Blake-
more has urged the Senate Postoffice
committee to take into consideration
the mileage and amount of mail
delivered in arriving at a basis of pay
for rural mail carriers. This is taken
indicating an approval of increase
pay for this class of service. The
present system is based on mileage.

The same committee has been asked
to increase the pay of postmasters at
small offices, making the minimum at
third-class offices \$200 instead of \$150,
together with percentage in-
creases on the amount of business
done.

ILL CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

P. O. Elks Organized Fifty Years
Tomorrow.

The local lodge of B. P. O. Elks No.
101 will hold an entertainment at the
Cottages at East Crawford avenue tomor-
row night in celebration of the 50th
anniversary of the Elks as an organi-
zation.

Special moving pictures will be run
at the home and entertainers have
a program for the evening.

Palmer Discharged.
J. Palmer, who underwent an
operation at the Cottage State hospital
discharged today.

**& O. SUPERINTENDENT AND
SUPERVISOR IN PERIL WHEN
BIDWELL GORGE BREAKS**

H. Broughton, superintendent of the
Connellsville division of the Bal-
timore & Ohio railroad and Supervisor
of the same division had a very
close experience near Bidwell
gorge Wednesday morning when the
gorge there moved out. The water
piled up to the top of the gorge and
the pack began to move out. Super-
visor Metzger had to do some lively
climbing to climb out of the path-
way of the gorge.

The ice piled up 15 feet or higher
as it went out. The men say they
never heard such cracking, which re-
sounded from both sides of the moun-
tains. The ice heaved and swelled,
the great pressure from behind push-
ing the front cakes which were held
back by the gorge, up into the air.

**FOOD CONSERVATION
CAMPAIGN DRIVE IS
TO START SUNDAY**

The Patriotism of the People
of Pennsylvania to Be
Put to a Test.

FOOD SITUATION FACTS

Both at Home and Abroad, to Be Made
Plain in Order That We at Home
May See Our Duty; Churches to Fire
Opening Gun of the Big Campaign.

The patriotism of the people of
Pennsylvania will be put to a test in
the food conservation campaign drive
which is to be conducted by the United
States Food Administration, start-
ing next Sunday and continuing until
Sunday, March 3. The purpose of the
campaign is to acquaint every per-
son in the state with the true food
situation here and abroad and to ob-
tain from everyone a signed pledge to
conserve wheat, meat, fats and sug-
ars.

Every known means of reaching
the people will be utilized during the
drive. The entire organization of the
United States Food Administration
will promote the campaign with the
cooperation of the food supply depart-
ment of the State Committee of Pub-
lic Safety, the Women's Council of
National Defense, the Speaker's Bu-
reau and the Four-Minute Men. These
agencies will act as the central or-
ganization to conduct the campaign.

Churches, schools, Red Cross chap-
ters, branches and auxiliaries, Young
Men's Christian Associations, Navy
Leagues, Boy Scouts, Chambers of
Commerce and Boards of Trade, and,
in fact, practically every other group
of men, women and children in the
state will cooperate.

The first gun of the campaign will
be fired next Sunday when everybody
who attends church in Pennsylvania
will hear the message of food con-
servation. At the morning services, at
Sunday school and at evening services
the need of saving will be presented by
speakers.

At the morning service in all the
churches the pastors or officiating
clergymen will read to the congrega-
tions a proclamation which will be
issued by Howard Heinz, Food Admin-
istrator, on Page Two.

WILL TALK TEMPERANCE

Washington Man to Be at Dawson
Community Service.

Rev. Clarence True Wilson, "the
biggest man in temperance in the big-
gest church in the nation," will preach
at the community services of the
churches of Dawson to be held Sun-
day evening in the Cochran Memorial
Methodist church. Rev. Wilson's
headquarters are in Washington, D.
C., and his appearance at Dawson had
been arranged for before the commu-
nity services were planned. Dawson
ministers who will assist in the ser-
vices are Rev. W. B. Purcell, Rev. H.
A. Baum and Rev. G. M. Riley.

Five new stars have been added to
the community service flags for the
boys who left on Tuesday for Camp
Lee, Petersburg, Va. They are Max
Cumberland, James C. Goldsboro,
James Leroy Bratler, Oscar Tod
Workman and William T. Brown.

SAVE HIGH NUMBERS

Identification Tags of Last Draftees
Range Above 1,800,000.

The draftees who were sent to Camp
Lee this week, including the contin-
gents from Fayette and Westmoreland
counties, have been given their serial
numbers which will be used on their
identification tags.

The numbers of the men from West-
moreland will range from
1,833,131 to 1,833,500. The number as-
signed to the soldiers will be stamped
plainly upon the identification tags.

IN ORDINANCE CLASS

J. F. Pizman of Mount Pleasant is
one of 88 men who have enlisted in
the ordnance schoolkeeping class at
Pennsylvania State college. The
graduates, after a course of instruc-
tion lasting six weeks, are assigned
to duty at the arsenals and cannon-
ments or sent overseas to direct the
handling of ordnance supplies for the
army.

Woman Suicides

Mrs. Samuel S. Sloan, 42 years old,
of Youngwood, shot and killed herself
at her home early yesterday morning.
Mrs. Sloan is survived by her hus-
band, who is a well known Pennsylv-
ania railroad engineer and one
daughter.

Has Appendicitis

Miss Harriet Dunn, 14 years old,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dunn
of Sycamore street, underwent an
operation for appendicitis and throat
trouble Wednesday in St. Joseph's
hospital, Pittsburg.

Dr. Fosselman Enlists

Dr. Don C. Fosselman, son of Mr.
and Mrs. John Fosselman of East
Cedar avenue, has received a commis-
sion as first lieutenant in the Officers'
Medical Reserve corps.

On Furlough

Joseph Wrote a member of the Ma-
rines is spending a furlough with his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wrote of
Vine street.

**DYNAMITE PLACED IN
CARS LOADED IN THE
CONNELLVILLE REGION**

Information has been received
by the Department of Justice
that cars loaded with coal at certain mines in
the Connellsville region have
been found to contain dynamite
upon their arrival at their des-
tination.

Neither the name of the ship-
ping point nor the point of de-
livery of these cars is revealed,
effort being made to secure in-
formation that will lead to the
detection of parties who planned
this means of creating
damage to some steam using
plant.

Similar reports have come
from other mining regions but
this is the first known instance
of explosives having been load-
ed with coal in the Connellsville
region.

**ARRIVAL OF THE
MAIL MAN IS GREAT
EVENT OVER THERE**

Scenes Enacted When Letters
Come From Home Border
on Riot.

INTERESTING FACTS TOLD

In Letter Received by Relative of
Roscoe Wright of Connellsville Who
is in France With Regiment of En-
gineers; He Talks of Food.

The coming of the mail man in his
daily rounds in Connellsville is an oc-
casion of interest but over in France
it is likely to produce something re-
sembling a riot, so eager are the sol-
diers from America to hear from the
folks back home. That is the way
Roscoe Wright of Connellsville
speaks in a letter received by his
brother, Warren L. Wright, "Ross,"
as his friends familiarly call him, is
a member of Company B, 25th En-
gineers. In part the letter reads:
Somewhere in France.

"I am not very happy here. I am
feeling tired and hungry and feel-
ing a little as though I had lost my
last friend. When I reached the bunk
house door I noticed quite a commo-
tion, in fact a near riot, and upon in-
vestigation I discovered that the long
looked for mail had arrived, the first
with the exception of a few papers
received a few days before, we have
received since leaving home.

"Maybe you think there wasn't a
wild time around these 'digging' for
the rest of the evening.

"We have received our first pay
this evening and before there was a
demonstration at the announcement
of that, it was nothing to be com-
pared to the arrival of the mail.

"It seems strange that the papers
should be delivered before the first
class mail but such is the case. I re-
ceived mine in all and was delighted
and especially yours from home. It
was sent to Ayer, Mass., and from
there forwarded here. One thing
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**VERNON CASTLE, FAMED
AS DANCER AND AERIAL
FIGHTER, MEETS DEATH**

Had Made 150 Flights Over German
Lines and Was in Many a Heroic
Exploit in the War.

By Associated Press.
FORT WORTH, Texas, Feb. 15.—
Captain Vernon Castle of the English
Royal Flying corps was killed this
morning while flying 15 miles west of
Fort Worth.

Castle had made 150 flights over the
German lines and was the hero of
many exploits in the war zone. His
work had been especially on the
flamers front and covered a period
of nine months. He came to Fort
Worth last October along with Lord
Wallerley.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Vernon Cas-
tle had a national reputation as a
dancer. His home was here with his
wife, also a graceful dancer. He in-
tained great popularity several years
ago as a teacher of modern dances.
When the war broke out both of the
Castles became interested in war
work. Mr. Castle took up aviation.
He was granted an aviator pilot
license by the Aero Club of America
February 9, 1916, after having made
a satisfactory record in flight tests at
Newport News, Va. He was born in
Norwich, England, May 2, 1887.

Weather Forecast

Probably snow flurries tonight and
Saturday; much colder tonight with
a cold wave in the noon weather fore-
cast for Western Pennsylvania.

Temperature Record.
1918 1917
Maximum 65 44
Minimum 41 23
Mean 53 34

The Yough river rose during the
night from 6 feet to 9.50 feet.

**STORM DAMAGE TO
BELL TELEPHONE
SYSTEM \$200,000**

Is the Estimate of the Company
After Seeing All the
Data.

FORCE OF 200 EXTRA MEN

Worked Unceasingly Restoring Crip-
pled Service; 50,000 Pounds of Bare
and 1,500,000 Feet of Twisted Wire
Used; New Cable to Cost \$125,000.

That the recent mountain sleet and
windstorm damaged the Bell Tele-
phone system in Fayette county to the
extent of \$200,000 was a statement
made today in an official communi-
cation from the company. The figure is
based on the cost of reconstruction,
which is now well under way. The
statement says:

"The Central District Telephone
company was confronted with a task
calculated to stagger, but through the
hardest kind of work and the unlim-
ited use of men and money, the serv-
ice—both local and long distance—
was restored within an incredibly
short time.

"As soon as the telephone people in
Uniontown became aware of the ex-
tent of the havoc wrought, a hurry
call was sent to New Castle, Green-
burg, Pittsburg and even to far dis-
tant Erie for men and material. When
these men arrived, they found that in
the stricken area over 400 poles were
down, that three-fourths of the wire
had been literally stripped from the
poles and that Uniontown and Con-
nellsville were practically cut off from
the outside world.

"Crews were dispatched to all points
affected and the work of reconstruc-
tion began immediately. All together
about 200 men were called in from
outside points, and they worked un-
tiringly with the local force to bring
back some semblance of order. The
crews at Uniontown were under the
leadership of H. L. Badger, division
superintendent of plant, Pittsburg,
and at Connellsville, H. Hamilton, su-
perintendent of plant, elsewhere, was
in charge.

"In the meantime the materials be-
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PURSUED BY MISFORTUNE

Death of Scotland Man Follows De-
struction of His Home.

Charles M. Kelley, 10 years old,
formerly of Scotland, died Wednes-
day morning at 8 o'clock in a hospital
in Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Kelley, who
has been with his sister, Mrs. L. M.
Santmyer, of East Murphy avenue,
since her husband entered the hospi-
tal, and the telegram received notify-
ing her of his death did not state the
cause.

The Kelley family has been very un-
fortunate. Last Christmas their home
in Pleasantville was totally destroyed
by fire and from exposure Mr. Kelley
contracted a severe cold which de-
veloped into grip. He went to the hospi-
tal in Buffalo for treatment and the
supposition is that pneumonia caused
his death. The body will arrive here
today and will be removed to Funer-
al Director Charles C. Mitchell to the
Santmyer home, 511 Murphy avenue,
where private funeral services will be
held tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock.
Rev. Wilbur Nelson, pastor of the
First Baptist church will officiate. In-
terment in Hill Grove cemetery. Mr.
Kelley was married to Miss Mary
Carson a daughter of the late Mr. and
Mrs. William Carson of Scotland. In
addition to his widow he is survived
by one daughter, Thelma Kelley, at
home and one sister, in Jamestown,
N. Y.

BOYS ARE HELD

Three Go To Uniontown; One Is Dis-
charged by Alderman.

Jerry Bernardo, Harry Miller and
David Ward, all of the West Side, were
committed to jail by Alderman Fred
Munk after a hearing on a charge of
malicious mischief perpetrated by Carl
Barge of West Peach street. The
boys were arrested for shooting out
windows in Barge's greenhouse with
slingshots and also for breaking
street lights of the West Penn Power
company.

The youngsters, none of whom is
over 16 years of age, were arrested
by City Detective J. W. Mitchell. Ed-
gar McMillan, who was also ar-
rested on the same charge was dis-
charged by the alderman, no evidence
being found against him.

RUN DOWN BY TRAIN

Star Junction Man at Hospital With
Fractured Skull.

While on his way to work this
morning Andy Sarsario, of Star Jun-
ction, was run down by a train and
seriously injured. His skull is frac-
tured and it is feared he will not re-
cover.

Sarsario is Slavish and was em-
ployed in the mines of the Washing-
ton Coal & Coke company. Following
the accident he was brought to Con-
nellsville and admitted to the Cottage
State hospital.

Girl at Lyon Home.
The stork visited the home of Mr.
and Mrs. E. W. Lyon, No. 601 South
Pittsburg street, and left a daughter.

**FIFTEEN WESTERN MARYLAND
FREIGHT CARS PILE UP AT
OHIOPILE AND ARE BURNED**

WEST PENN'S COAL AND
LABOR CHARGE CUT OUT
BY NEW RATE SCHEDULE

Makes the Rate Dependent Upon Num-
ber of Hours Current is Used; Does
Not Affect Domestic Users.

In explanation of the new power
rate schedule, which has been filed
with the Pennsylvania Public Service
Commission, as noted in The Courier
some days ago, the following state-
ment was issued from the local offices
of the West Penn Power company this
morning:

"The West Penn Power company, on
January 30th, issued a new schedule
of rates to become effective March 1st.
No changes are made in the rate to
domestic or commercial consumers,
but all present power rates have been
withdrawn and one schedule substituted
which automatically operates to
make the rate per kilowatt hour de-
pendent on the number of hours the
consumer makes use of his demand.
A charge of six cents per kilowatt
hour is made for the first 70 hours of
the consumer's demand, and all ex-
cess at one and one-quarter cents
per kilowatt hour. The total bill is
subject to a contract discount rang-
ing from five per cent for the first
\$100 to 50 per cent of all in excess
of \$1,800.

"On July 14, 1917 the West Penn
Power company filed an amendment,
called the 'Coal and Labor Clause' ef-
fective August 14th, to all the power
rates then in effect. This amendment
was an additional charge per kilowatt
hour depending upon the cost of coal
delivered to the company's bunkers.
The cost of production was increasing
at such a alarming rate that on De-
cember 1, 1917 the company was com-
pelled to apply this charge as an im-
mediate relief.

"The company has made a very ex-
haustive study of rates the result of
which was the filing of its new rate.
The filing of the new rate withdraws
the 'Coal and Labor Clause' and the
average net result of the new rate
will be less than the old rates with
the 'Coal and Labor Clause' added."

WATER SUPPLY NORMAL

Pressure is at Full Force With Break
in Main Repaired.

The water supply in the city is
back at normal again today, the break
in the main leading to the West Side
having been repaired yesterday after-
noon. The "L" which was knocked
off the main where it connects with
the river over the Yough bridge was
replaced by a large force of workmen
yesterday afternoon.

West Side residents have been with-
out water for almost 26 hours before
they were finally supplied.

The rapid progress made in repair-
ing the break was largely due to the
efforts of General Superintendent J.
K. Angle of the Fayette County Gas
company and his force of men who
were on the job almost continuously
from the time the break occurred on
Wednesday until it was repaired.

22 BELOW ZERO

Does Not Keep Michiganders from Rev-
erend's Prayer Meeting.

A letter recently received from Rev.
C. C. Buckner, now pastor of the
Christian church at Ionia, Mich., and
written during the last cold snap, re-
ports the family well and revealing in
the delights of a northern winter and
a temperature of 22 degrees below
zero.

Michiganders are more accustomed
to this kind of weather, or firmer in
their faith than Connellsvillians, 70
persons having attended Rev. Buck-
ner's prayer meeting on the coldest
night of the year.

STAMP SALES GOOD

Total of War Savings Stamps Sold in
Schools Reaches \$12,215.

War savings stamps to the amount
of \$12,215.83 were sold in the schools
of this city as a total for the past two
weeks.

The totals for the two weeks, as
purchased by the individual schools
are: High school, \$127.02; West
Side, \$158.83; South Side, \$283.
78; Fourth ward, \$103.38; Third ward,
\$212.77; Second ward, \$61.15.

MADE ROAD FOREMAN

Rockwood Man Takes New Position
on S. & C. Branch.

J. Howard Strong, of Rockwood,
formerly engineer on the Baltimore
and Ohio shifter at Rockwood, has
been made road foreman of engines
in charge of the S. & C. Branch.

This is a newly created position as
there had never before been an official
of this kind assigned to the
branch.

More Pay for Round House Men

Engine house employees and repair-
men, except hostlers, on the Pennsylv-
ania railroad east of Pittsburg, have
been granted an advance of 15 per
cent on the day and 20 per cent on the
night shifts.

It was also reported that a Connell-
sville township dairyman was selling
a bad quality of milk. Health Officer
Heitzel was instructed to inspect all
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Persons who want to raise pigs will
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NEWSY NOTES TELL WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE MILL TOWN

**Missionary Workers Observe
Birthday Anniversary of
One of Number.**

RESBYTERIANS NAME OFFICERS

**by Scouts Making Plans for Exhibi-
tion of Their Skill in Various Lines
of Activity Sometime in March;
Society Arranges Prayer Date.**

Special to The Courier.
SCOTTSBURGH, Feb. 15.—Forty ladies of the W. M. A. of the United Brethren church tendered a surprise to Mrs. E. M. S. Pyle at her home in Arthur avenue yesterday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock in honor of her birthday. After the guests had arrived queries and answers were passed around to them and quite a jolly time was had. This was followed with a biography of each present starting with my first photograph and ending in with a glimpse into the future. Lunch was served and valentines were given as favors. A nice time of money was realized for the W. M. A. as each guest present was guess the hostess' age by bringing pennies for each year old she was.

Officers Elected.
The Woman's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met in the church parlors yesterday afternoon. Mrs. J. S. Parker was leader and Mrs. James S. Campbell had a paper, "Native Americans," and Mrs. J. H. Ramer had a paper on "Continued Strivals." The annual election of officers was held as follows: President, Mrs. J. R. Smith; vice president, Mrs. W. F. Shouts; secretary, Mrs. Jive Hurst; assistant secretary, Mrs. Frank Parker; treasurer, Mrs. Boyd Glasgow; secretary of literature, Mrs. A. A. Marsh; pianist, Mrs. Walter Houseman.

Aid Society Entertained.
Mrs. Lewellyn Jones entertained the ladies of the Baptist Aid society at her home here last evening. After the business session and program refreshments were served.

Valentine Dance.
A valentine dance was given by the senior class of the high school in the lead hall last evening. The patronesses were Mrs. J. R. Campbell, Mrs. J. J. Parker, Mrs. J. C. Tedrow and Mrs. Harry Kromer.

Scout Exhibition.
A Scout rally will be held in Friday evening when plans will be laid for a scout exhibition to be held in about a month. Some of the work to be shown at the exhibition are the flag drill, first aid to the injured, signaling and camp fire. Scoutmasters are needed or patrols No. 1 and 4.

Clover Club.
Mrs. Frank Mitchell entertained the Clover Club at her Stauffer home last evening. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Annual Prayer Service.
The Home Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church met in the church yesterday. Mrs. C. A. Colburn was the leader. It was decided to have the due social about March 15. Mrs. W. S. Lockard of Pittsburgh, district superintendent of mite boxes, will give a talk. These ladies also decided to have their annual prayer service on Good Friday.

For Sale.
Four room cottage house, one-fourth acre lot, adjoining the borough, for \$1,200.

Forty-acre acre farm, good spring water and all necessary buildings, for \$3,000. E. F. DeWitt—Adv.—3-4c.

Personal.
Misses Helen Bambrick and Stella Vedell have returned home from a visit paid Miss Marion Bambrick at Indiana State Normal where she is a student.

STOP CATARRH! OPEN NOSTRILS AND HEAD

**Says Cream Applied in Nostrils
Relieves Head-Colds at Once.**

If your nostrils are clogged and your head is stuffed and you can't breathe freely because of a cold or catarrh, just get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm at any drug store. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream into your nostrils and let it penetrate through every air passage of your head, soothing and healing the inflamed, swollen mucous membrane and you get instant relief. Ah! how good it feels. Your nostrils are open, your head is clear, no more sneezing, snuffling, blowing; no more headache, dryness or struggling for breath. Ely's Cream Balm is just what sufferers from head colds and catarrh need. It's a delight.—adv.

NOT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

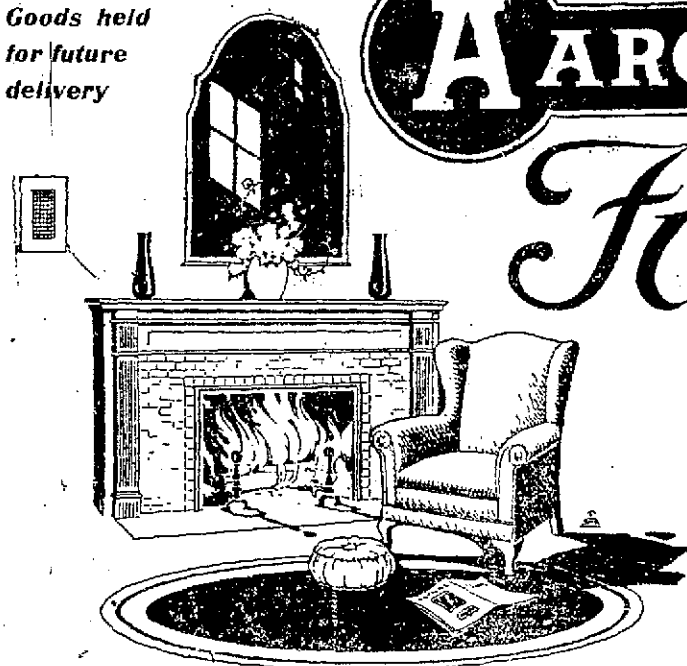
**Abroad Men Will Not Receive Priv-
ileges of Federal Compensation.**

That the employees of the National Airways will not be given the privileges of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act was practically assured when the House Interstate Commerce Committee struck from the railroad bill the administration's provision extending the act to railroad men. The Senate committee took similar action.

WANTED Mill Hands

THE SLIGO IRON & STEEL CO. OF CONNELLSVILLE WILL BEGIN TO OPERATE DOUBLE TURN WHEEL OF FEB. 18, AND WOULD LIKE TO SECURE EXPERIENCED AND INEXPERIENCED MILL MEN. APPLY AT WORKS.

Goods held
for future
delivery



Established 26 Years

AARON'S

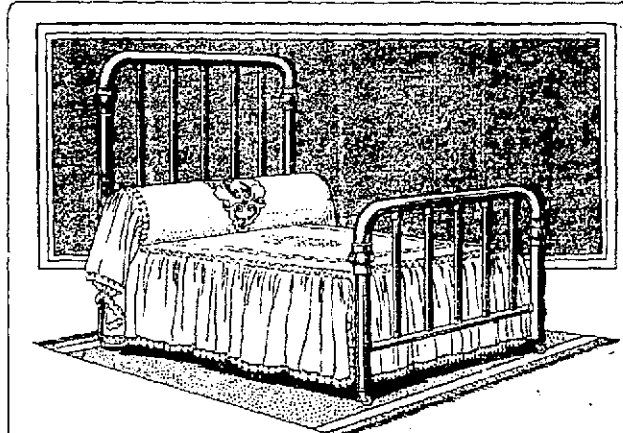
Convenient credit, if desired

February Furniture Sale

Each Dollar Will Do Its Full Duty

Real opportunities like this are becoming scarcer every day. That's why the best possible time to buy Furniture, Rugs, Carpets, Stoves and Housefurnishings is **right now**—at Aaron's. Because **right now** our prices are as low as we can make them—from **10% to 33% lower than elsewhere.** Then too, don't forget that here you have Six Big Floors of high-quality, dependable merchandise to choose from.

SHOP EARLY To enjoy the greatest ease and deliberation in making selections during this February Sale period we kindly request that you do your shopping as early in the day as possible.



This \$35 Real Brass Bed.
February Sale Price..... **19.75**

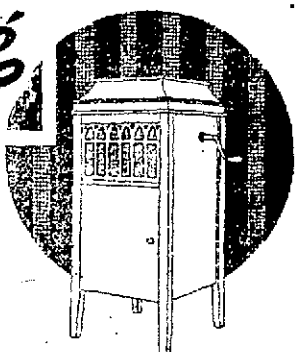
Made of continuous 2-inch brass tubing. Has 10 one-inch fillers, each fitted with T-balls. Rod-ends are extra large and massive. This is a full-sized bed.

With the prices on raw materials steadily advancing, the February Sale prices on these Brass Beds make them values that you can't afford to miss.

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The only Standard
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No Needles to Change—
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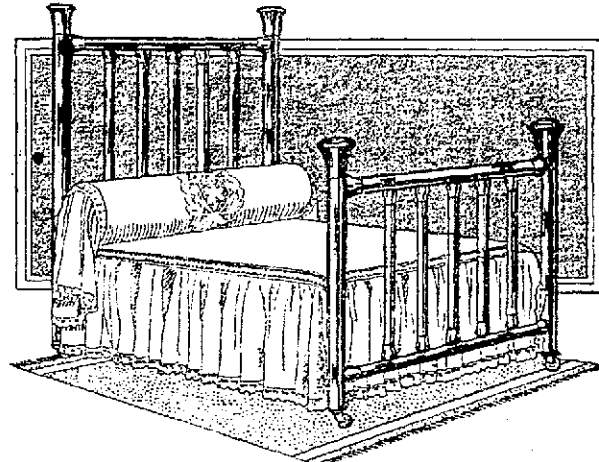


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\$75 Model and 6 Records—
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On Special Credit Terms.
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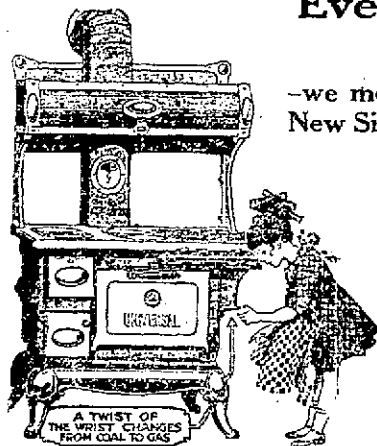
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February Sale Price..... **14.75**

It's very substantially built—made of 2-inch reinforced brass tubing. Has 10 one-inch fillers with heavy cross-roads. Every filler fitted with T-ball. Rod and posts are fitted with 4-inch post caps.

Other Brass Beds as Low as \$9.75.

Everybody can be a good Cook now—

—we mean, of course, everybody that uses the
New Simplex Universal Combination Range.



That's because the Universal burns gas and coal or wood—or both at the same time. And both fuels can be used in the oven at the same time without one interfering with the other. When changing from one fuel to the other just turn the key—that's all. No parts to change as in the ordinary combination ranges.

Then too, the Universal helps the Government conserve coal—saves money on your fuel bills. It's the range that keeps your kitchen warm in winter and cool in summer.

Come in and let us demonstrate this wonderful range to you—then you'll know why the Universal is the largest selling Combination Range in America.

Kitchen Patriotism

It means to save time, steps and work as well as food. And if you are anxious to do so, you should arrange your kitchen as more than a million other women have done by installing the

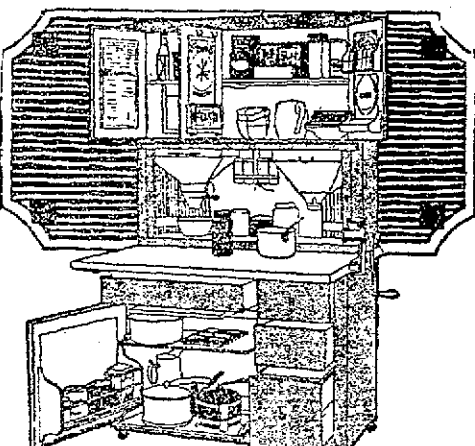
HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINET

This is an actual labor-saving machine—not merely a place for storage. It has 40 labor-saving features. Its scientific arrangement results from thousands of experiments. The most used articles are nearest at hand. You sit instead of stand—you reach instead of walk.

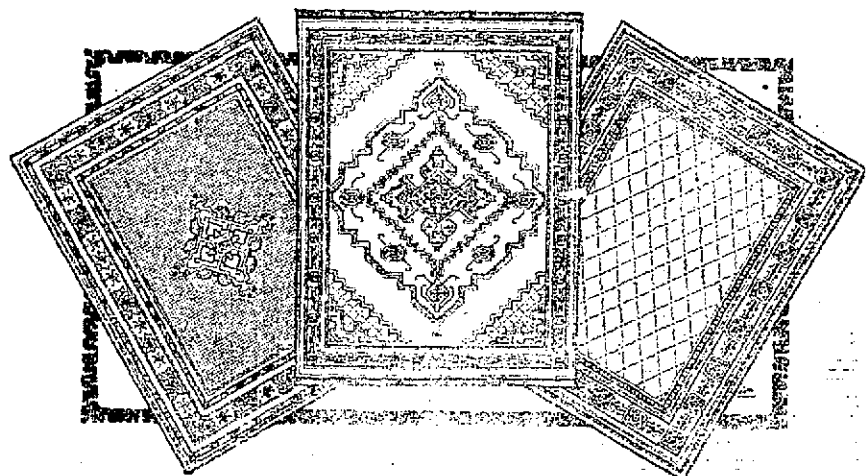
Come in now and let us explain to you the many "Hoosier" features. And let us show you, too, how the "Hoosier" makes play of kitchen tasks.

Prices Go Up March 1st

—that's another reason why you should come in now, the earlier the better.



Reductions of 10% to 33% on Floor Coverings of Quality.



In some stores you'll find "Jute" Rugs represented as all-wool Rugs. The difference is hardly noticeable to the eye because the manufacturers have so cleverly imitated the genuine wool Rugs. But there is a big difference between "Jute" and wool—and that's in the wear and looks after you have the Rug in your home for a while.

When you buy a Rug during Aaron's February Sale you not only enjoy savings of from 10% to 33%—but you are SURE of quality—you are SURE of a correct design—you are SURE of a good color effect—and you are SURE your purchase will give complete satisfaction. Here are a few of the big February Sale values:—

\$20.00 5x12 Woolen Fibre Rug (termed seamless Brussels in some stores) **\$14.50**

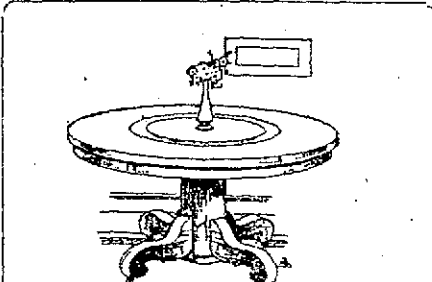
5x12 High Grade Seamless Axminster Rug, 1918 Spring Pattern, Special Sale Price **\$28.75**

5x12 High Grade Seamless Tapestry Brussels Rug. Sale Price **\$21.50**

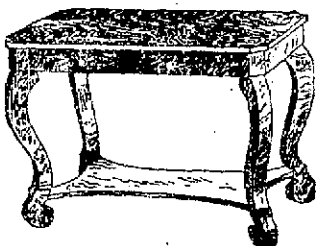
5x12 Whittall Genuine Body Brussels Rug—The Best Body Brussels Rug made. Sale Price **\$38.75**

5x12 Royal Wilton Rugs. A large variety of patterns and colors copied from the finest Rugs. Sale Price **\$49.50**

These price-reductions also apply to the Carpets and Linoleums of the highest quality, which we carry in large varieties, designs and patterns.



This \$18.00 Solid Oak, 6-foot Extension Table with patent locking device, February Sale Price **\$11.75**



This \$24.00 Colonial Library Table, February Sale Price **\$14.75**

Mount Pleasant

Special to The Courier.
MT. PLEASANT, Feb. 15.—Beno Anderson, aged 44 years, had his arm caught between two wagons at the standard slope and suffered a compound fracture. He was brought to the Memorial hospital for treatment.

"The Birth of a Nation." Monday, February 18, Cox's Theatre, 2.15, 6.30 and 9 P. M. Special prices for children at matinee only 25c.—Adv.—1-4t.

Mrs. Stephen Bricker.
 Mrs. Stephen Bricker, aged 44 years, died very suddenly at noon yesterday at her Vine street home. With her husband there survive ten children the smallest of which is not three weeks old. One son Joseph is a Camp Hancock with Company E, 10th Regiment.

Many Priests at Funeral.
 Father John Supinski who died very suddenly in Chicago on Monday was buried yesterday in the Mammoth cemetery in a specially constructed vault built in the Mammoth cemetery. Forty priests from Chicago, Philadelphia and from all over the western part of Pennsylvania attended the funeral services yesterday. The body lay in state in the Mammoth church from Wednesday until Thursday.

Tax 10 Mills.
 Council held a special meeting last evening and set the tax at ten mills the same as it had been last year.

Arthur Brown Home.
 Arthur Brown, of Camp Hancock, after stopping off in Conneltsville to visit his wife and baby, came here yesterday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and old friends. Mr. Brown is supply sergeant for Company E, One Hundred and Tenth Regiment.

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DRINK HOT WATER IF YOU DESIRE A ROSY COMPLEXION

Says we can't help but look better and feel better after an inside bath.

To look one's best and feel one's best is to enjoy an inside bath each morning to flush from the system the various day's waste, your germs, toxins and poisonous toxins before it is absorbed into the blood. Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of combustible material in the form of ash, so the food and ink taken each day leave in the alimentary organs a certain amount of digestible material, which if not eliminated, form toxins and poisons which are then sucked into the blood through the very ducts which are intended to suck in only nourishment to stain the body.

If you want to see the glow of health bloom in your cheeks to see your eyes get clearer and clearer, you are to drink every morning upon rising, a glass of hot water with a spoonful of limestone phosphate in which is a harmless means of flushing the waste material and dust from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, before putting more food into the stomach.

Men and women with sallow skins, or spots, pimples or pallid complexion, are those who wake up with coated tongue, bad taste, nasty breath, others who are bothered with headaches, bilious spots, acid stomach or constipation should begin this asphated hot water drinking.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs very little at the drug store but is sufficient to demonstrate at just as soap and hot water clean, purifies and freshens the skin the outside, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the inside and—adv.

Dawson.

DAWSON, Feb. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. Ashton have returned home from a few days' visit with friends in Meigs Rocks.

ester Shallenberger of Owensdale is a caller at Dickerson Run Thursday.

Frank Vanhorn was a Conneltsville caller Thursday.

A. Neville was transacting business in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

A number of improvements are being made at the Ogilvie, McClure & Lumber yards. The office room is being torn out and made larger and rearranged. Concrete foundations are being put in all through the d, and some new machinery is being installed.

A. Tarr was a Pittsburgh caller Tuesday.

Jewell Townsend was a business caller at Uniontown Wednesday.

THE TRUTH ABOUT ECZEMA AND PILES

Thousands and thousands of people, says from, are suffering every week that one box of Peterson's Ointment will cure Eczema and piles, and the old letters I receive every day are more to me than money. I saw your ad and got one box and you many thanks for the good it has done. There isn't a blotch on my head and I couldn't help but thank Peter for the cure is great. Mrs. Mary Hill, Fair Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. I have had itching piles for 15 years and now is the only ointment that cures me. Besides the skin clear, clean and to look upon. Druggists guarantee it. A. A. Clarke.

Final Clean-up in Millinery

Choice of the House
 WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S
 TRIMMED HATS,
 Values to \$7.50.

\$2.95 Black Velvet Shapes at \$1.00

79c

3 DAYS
 FRIDAY
 SATURDAY
 MONDAY

REMNANT DAY

Clearing Out Remnants and Odd Lots at Savings of ONE-FOURTH ONE-THIRD ONE-HALF

Every Department throughout the store is disposing of broken lines, odds and ends, short pieces, etc., at a mere fraction of their real value. Indeed Dollars and Cents never accomplish as much as during this Semi-Annual event—and the remnant sale is of even greater importance this year than ever before. Come to the store—rummage around and you'll be surprised how many things you'll find in just the length and material you want—and at amazing savings too.

ODD LOT
 Men's Wool and Cotton
 Ribbed Union Suits,
 \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 Values

\$1.25

Broken assortments, not all sizes, of finest wool or cotton ribbed, in well known makes.

Remnants of Silk
 Plain and Fancy Taffetas and Satins, Chiffons, Messalines, Crepe Silks, Voiles, Velvets, and many others.

Remnants of Laces
 Flouncings, Venice Edges, All-overs, Bands, Shadow Laces, for Camisoles, for Undermuslins and Dress Trimmings.

Remnants of White Goods
 Plain and Fancy Voiles, Long-cloth, Nainsook, Lawns, Dimities, Piques, Repps, Basket cloth, etc.

Remnants of Trimmings
 Short lengths of Fur, Braids, Fancy Edge Trimmings, Colored Flouncings, Gold and Silver Trimmings and numerous others.

Remnants of Embroideries
 Liberal quantities of Flouncings, Sequins, Beadings, Edges, Insertions, Bands and many others.

Remnants of Domestics
 Materials for every day requirements, such as Dress Gingham, Apron Gingham, Muslins, Calicos, Outing Flannel, Ducking.

Remnants of Wash Goods
 Madrases, Voiles, plain and fancy Poplins, Kindergarten Cloths, Cotton Foulards, Chambray, Gingham Crepe, etc.

Remnants of Ribbons
 Ribbons for every purpose—Hair Bows, Sashes, Narrow Ribbons for undergarments, Fancy Ribbons for Art Work, etc.

Suitings and Coatings
 Desirable lengths of Cheviots, Broadcloths, Serges, Poplins, Flannels, Challis and Novelities.

ODD LOT
 Men's Fine Wool Shirts
 and Drawers
 \$1.50 and \$2.00 Values

95c

Broken assortments of all wool garments, in heavy and medium weights, not all sizes in the lot, at 95c.

Every Winter Garment in the House Must Go

SUITS-COATS-DRESSES

The Season's Best Styles featured at the most drastic price reductions in this Sensational Clean-up Sale. Be here tomorrow for the best Bargains of the year.

Women's and Misses' Suits,
 Worth up to \$23.50

\$9.99

Popular models to choose from in wanted materials and colors—broken lots, but mostly all sizes.

Women's, Misses' and Juniors' Coats,
 Worth up to \$23.50

\$9.99

Stylish Coats of Wool Velour, Plushes and Mixtures in plain and Fur trimmed styles, mostly all sizes.

Women's and Misses' Dresses,
 Worth up to \$19.75, at

\$9.99

Fashionable Dresses of Silk, Serge, Taffeta and Combinations, wanted styles and colors—includes new Spring models.

Women's and Misses' Suits,
 Worth up to \$35.00

\$14.44

Fine Broadcloths, Poplins and Pairs; Twills in this group—some with Fur Trimmings, others in styles suitable for Spring.

Women's and Misses' Coats,
 Worth up to \$35.00

\$14.44

Plain or Fur trimmed models of Velour, Kersey, Plushes and Durells, all marked down for final clearance.

Women's and Misses' Dresses,
 Values up to \$25.00

\$14.44

Beautiful Afternoon and Street Dresses of Georgette Crepe, Satins, Serges and Taffetas—ruffled, side draped and newest tailored effects.

REMNANT LOTS
 Women's Coats - \$2.95
 Children's Coats - \$2.95
 Furs, Scarfs, Muffs \$2.95
 Values up to \$18.50

\$2.95

REMNANT LOTS
 Women's Coats - \$1.00
 Children's Coats - \$1.00
 Muffs and Scarfs \$1.00
 Ladies' Skirts - \$1.00

\$1.00

REMNANT LOTS
 Up to \$5.00 Skirts \$2.95
 Up to \$7.50 Waists \$2.95
 Afternoon and Evening Dresses to \$20.00 at \$2.95

\$2.95

Sensational Shoe Sale

THREE DAYS ONLY—BEGINNING FRIDAY MORNING—OVER 500 PAIRS WOMEN'S SHOES—BROKEN LOTS AND DISCONTINUED LINES—AT PRICES SO SMALL IT'S ALMOST LIKE GIVING THEM AWAY—AND WOMEN WHO LOOK AHEAD WILL BUY FOR FUTURE AS WELL AS PRESENT NEEDS AT THESE UNPRECEDENTED SAVINGS.
 NO CHARGES, C. O. D.'S, REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES—ALL SALES FINAL.

\$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 Women's
 SHOES

\$1.95

\$4.00, \$5.00 and up to \$8.00 Women's
 SHOES

\$2.95

Many styles to choose from in Black Kid, Patent and Gun Metal leathers, kid and cloth tops, high and low heel, button style, sizes up to 5½.

Grey and Brown Kid Shoes, Black Kid and Patent Leather Shoes, lace and button styles, sizes up to 3½.

Boys' \$3.50 Shoes

\$2.95

Misses' \$3.00 Shoes

\$1.95

Children's \$2.00 Shoes

\$1.39

Strong, well-made Shoes of Gun Metal leather, English and Blucher lasts, with "Neolin" soles, Special at \$2.95.

Stylish Shoes of Patent and Gun Metal leather, kid and cloth tops, button style, sizes 1½ to 2, Special at \$1.95.

Made of Gun Metal leather with cloth tops, sizes 5 to 8. Special at \$1.39.

Ohioyle.

OHIOYLE, Feb. 15.—The Red Cross met at the home of Mrs. T. M. (Rebell) yesterday.
 Miss Violet Mason, of Kentucky, spent Thursday calling on Ohioyle friends.
 Mrs. Harvey Morrison and son, Abner, returned yesterday from a visit spent at Mrs. Sam Rowe at Hunter.
 Mrs. Daisy Sprout, of Bell Grove, spent Thursday shopping in town.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Sprout spent Thursday shopping in town.
 Mrs. Janey C. Hall returned Thursday.

day from a visit spent at Uniontown and Hunter.
 Miss Verna Cunningham, school teacher near Fayette city, arrived home yesterday suffering from a nervous breakdown.
 Fred Dietrichs of Perryopolis, spent Wednesday and Thursday here the guest of friends.
 Mrs. Harbaugh of Victoria spent Thursday calling on Ohioyle friends.
 Arthur Bailey of Uniontown was a business transactor here yesterday.
 Harry Shipley of Spies, was a caller in town yesterday.
 Miss Elsie Craft left yesterday for Confluence to visit friends.
 Miss Elsie Beggs of Confluence

spent Wednesday her with her music class.
 J. E. Simms of Conneltsville was a caller in Ohioyle and Mill Run yesterday.
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 Clothing

**BENESIA RELIEVES
 INDIGESTION
 DYSPEPSIA GASTRITIS
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 MONEY
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 IF IT FAILS**

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 WHITE LINE
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 MOTOR TRUCKS, WAGONS,
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 PLANS A SPECIALTY.
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**FLINT'S
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 HAULING AND STORAGE
 Motor Truck Service
 To All Parts of Region.
 COAL FOR SALE
 BOTH PHONES.

Colonize Those Who Advertise. Want Ads—1 Cent a Word. READ THE COURIER.

ONLY SLIGHT CHANGE IN THE CONDITION OF BLAST FURNACES

Merchant Stocks Still Producing Less Than Half the Normal Output.

THE BREAK-UP OF WINTER

Encourages the Hope that Movement of Coke Will Greatly Increase; Coal Zoning System May Help Indirectly; Little Free Coke in Sight.

Special to The Weekly Courier
PITTSBURGH, Feb. 13.—A few of the blast furnaces that were banked have been able to resume this week, but the change in blast furnace conditions is only a slight one and the situation remains that the merchant furnaces as a class are producing less than half their normal output of pig iron while the blast furnaces attached to by-product coke ovens are not doing better than about 75 per cent. Railroad conditions may have improved a great deal in the past week, but on account of the light shipments of coke in the past few weeks there has not been enough enroute to make a great deal of difference when it does start moving to destination more rapidly.

Both producers and consumers of coke are greatly encouraged by the particularly favorable weather of the past week, weather altogether better than there had been any reason to expect, and lively hopes are entertained that the actual movement of coke will greatly increase. The fact is, however, that thus far there is very little actual improvement to be observed reports this week as to coal supplies in the region have been much better, but many operators insist that their actual supplies are not as heavy as the statements of percentage allotments would indicate.

It is thought that the re-arrangement of coal shipments from the Pittsburgh district will help coke indirectly. R. W. Gardner, local coal distributor of the fuel administration under the new zoning system, is putting the system into actual operation, the territory assigned to be supplied with coal by the Pittsburgh district being the triangle bounded by lines drawn from Pittsburgh to Lorain, O., and Troy, N. Y., respectively, the northern limit being practically the Lake Erie front. By this system coal will move as directly as possible from mine to point of consumption and the duty upon the railroads should be correspondingly reduced.

All shippers are so far behind in filling their coke contracts that there is no possibility of any quantity of coke coming into the open market under present conditions. If shipments should reach a rate of 300,000 tons a week there would be approximately a balance with a possibility of there being some free coke. Even operators who are behind in contract shipments are frequently requested by the authorities to ship coke to this or that consumer on account of the material being a war necessity and these requests are complied with as far as it is physically possible. This makes a moderate volume of business that is done at the set prices while there is a considerable amount of business technically done in the various interchanges that have been arranged, such coke having to be billed at cost, and of course at the set prices. Thus there is really a considerable turnover of coke at the set prices technically speaking, while practically there is no coke in the open market. The set prices continue to rule, as follows:

Furnace, 72-hour selected \$5.00
Foundry, 72-hour selected \$7.00
Crushed over 1-inch \$7.50

The pig iron market continues stagnant as regards actual sales. There is no iron available for early delivery and there is no widespread inquiry for such deliveries, as consumers have had their own troubles in operating and are in almost as bad condition as the blast furnaces. A few of the steel works would buy prompt Bessemer or basic iron if it was to be had. There are some negotiations for foundry iron for delivery in the second half of the year, but there is not a great deal of interest, as the delivery prospects are uncertain and the price would be merely the government price at the time of shipment, it being required that all contracts carry a clause to that effect. The set prices remain as follows:

Bessemer \$16.00
Basic \$18.00
No. 2 foundry \$13.00
Malleable \$15.50
Gray forge \$12.00

These prices are for a furnace, freight to Pittsburgh in the case of the Valley furnaces being 96 cents.

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COKE TRADE SUMMARY

With the progress made during the past week or ten days in clearing up the accumulations of loaded coke cars in cold storage on sidings and at junction points it was fairly well demonstrated that with continued fair weather material improvement in car supply and service can be made as well as gains in coke production. It is not to be presumed that either can be brought to 100 per cent until there is permanent relief in the general transportation situation but both can be made to more nearly approach normal.

At this period the pressing need of the railroads is motive power and men. Present forces are being used in concentrated effort to get essential raw materials and food supplies through to destinations, hence there is less opportunity to keep up an orderly and prompt return of empties to the coke region. This indicates that there is not likely to be any considerable increase in car supply in the early future, even if weather conditions are favorable to more efficient handling of freight.

There was an improvement noted Monday when the Monacahele railway placed 70 per cent and the Pennsylvania 50 per cent. The allotment dropped to 30 and 40 per cent respectively on Tuesday which proportions have been maintained thus far in the week. The stimulus given house cleaning last week rather than materially bettering operating conditions swelled shipments to 275,000 tons, a gain of 47,388 tons. Production did a little better than during the previous week.

STEEL INOT PRODUCTION

Only Slightly Over Half Rate in 1916; Railroad Embargoes and Car Shortage Chief Causes of Slump.

Special to The Weekly Courier

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The American Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel Report, will review the steel and iron trade tomorrow as follows:

Production of steel ingots in the United States in January was at the rate of about 28,700,000 gross tons a year against a rate of 38,400,000 tons in December, and an actual production in 1916 of 41,400,000 tons. On account of new construction the capacity at present is at least 47,000,000 tons and may be 50,000,000 tons. The Garfield holidays were responsible in a small measure for January's light production, seeing that blast furnace operations were not interfered with and there was idle steel making capacity to utilize the pig iron if desired. The restriction is due chiefly to inability of the mills to ship finished product on account of railroad embargoes and car shortage. With better shipping facilities, at that end production would still have been restricted by the shortage in coke movement to blast furnaces.

Shipments of finished steel from mills in January represented between 50 and 60 per cent of the capacity. In the early days of February the rate was lower still but with the very favorable weather of the past eight days shipments are increasing.

The railroads have merely been frozen up. They are not broken down, physically. Last October they moved freight at the rate of about 427 billion ton-miles a year against a movement of 343 billion in the fiscal year 1916, that itself being a new record in its time. The October rate will be restored eventually and then improved upon.

As transportation improves so will iron and steel production and consumption, for both have been affected by lack of transportation facilities. There has been no actual market for weeks past, and a new market will be built up as producers and consumers of pig iron and steel are enabled to increase their operations.

While a relatively active market is to be expected in the near future dealings will probably be confined largely to early deliveries. In the present order of things with war uncertainties and set prices subject to revision from time to time, there is no disposition to trade far ahead.

Sore Throat Prudence

Your medicine shelf is not well stocked without a bottle of TONSILINE, for you don't know what moment it may be needed to relieve a sudden case of Sore Throat. Relieving Sore Throat is TONSILINE's special mission. It is made for that—admitted for that—sold for that purpose. TONSILINE is the National Sore Throat Remedy. It is sold in every State in the Union. You will need TONSILINE one of these days, or some night when the drug store is closed—better have a bottle ready at home when you need it most. 35c and 60c. Hospital Size, \$1.00. Your druggist sells TONSILINE.

"I'M A GENUINE BOOSTER," SAYS OFFICER HENRY

Well Known Erie Policeman Pays Tanlac Fine Tribute.

William R. Henry, the well-known Erie policeman, who resides at 429 German street Erie Pa. made the following interesting statement recently regarding the benefit he had received from Tanlac, the now combulant, tonic, appetizer and invigorant that is now accomplishing such remarkable results in this city. Mr. Henry said:

My stomach was out of order and I did not feel refreshed from my sleep.

After taking Tanlac for about two weeks my stomach is now in good shape. My appetite and digestion are perfect and I can eat anything. My sleep is fine. You can say for me that Tanlac is one good medicine and that I am a booster for Tanlac.

There is not a single portion of the body not benefited by the healthful work of Tanlac which begins its action by stimulating the digestive and assimilative organs, thereby enriching the blood and invigorating the whole body.

Tanlac enables the stomach to thoroughly digest its food thereby permitting the assimilable products to be converted into blood, bone and muscle.

Tanlac is being sold here at The Connellsville Drug Co.

Tanlac can also be secured in Dunbar at D. C. Benson's Drug store.—adv.

STATE FUEL ADMINISTRATORS

Given Increased Power in Determining to Whom Coal Shall be Supplied and From Whom.

Under instructions issued by Fuel Administrator Garfield, State fuel administrators will hereafter determine not only to whom emergency coal shall be supplied but also from whom the coal thus diverted shall be withheld.

The state administrators have been authorized wherever necessary, to extend the rationing in such a way as to adequately and promptly furnish such information as may be needed to make effective the new system. They are advised to appoint an advisory committee of three men familiar with the coal business of their state and to possibly arrange a working plan with the state council of defense or similar agency. Under this system of cooperation the state administrator will be able to inform himself as to what consumers or areas can best stand a reduction in current supply with the least harm to the community as a whole.

The policy of diverting coal in transit has heretofore been pursued upon the theory that diversions should be applied to "free coal." There is not at this time any "free coal" in the sense of available coal. The failure to specify from what consumer or area coal should be withheld when it is diverted to meet an emergency is apt to create new emergencies and is generally unsatisfactory says Administrator Garfield.

The responsibility for distribution under the plan lies with the state fuel administrator with whom district representatives must confer before consigning coal on emergency order. Exception to this rule will be tolerated only if he need for requested relief is very urgent.

MORE LOCOMOTIVES

Will Be Turned Out With Shops Under Government Control.

Locomotive builders have large contracts for heavy types of locomotives, mainly for domestic roads. Since these plants have been put under the jurisdiction of the director general of the railroads they will be furnished all the steel required as promptly as the steel mills and the railroads can make deliveries.

The locomotive shops are now on the same basis as the shipyards and munition plants in being under direct control of the government, their entire output being subject to the orders of the Director General McAdoo. Under these circumstances it is expected that the shops of the large interests will be able to turn out full capacity to meet the pressing needs of the carriers and extensions are being made to plants to increase output.

Will Ask Increase in Price.

The Central West Virginia Coal Operators association has appointed a committee to formulate a uniform method of making coal sheets upon which to base an application for an increase in the selling price of coal.



Saving is a Solemn Duty Just Now

A duty we owe to ourselves, our families and our country. Our savings are needed to bring the war to a successful conclusion. The battle must be carried on at home as well as on the firing line. This strong bank invites your savings account and pays liberal interest. \$1 starts you.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

150 W. Crawford Ave. Connellsville.

"The Bank that Does Things for You" Checking Accounts Invited.

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SAFEGUARDED BY LAW

Trust Companies are safeguarded by law, under the supervision of the State Banking Department. You act wisely when you appoint the Titel & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania as your Executor. It is always faithful to the duties of the estate.

Consult us about this important matter.

Calcerbs

FOR THROAT AND LUNGS

A Calcium compound that will bring relief in many acute and chronic cases. Provides in handkerchief form a basic remedy highly recommended by science. Contains no harmful drugs. Try them today. 50 cents a box, including war tax.

For sale by all druggists. Eckman Laboratories, Philadelphia.

Zimmerman-Wild Co.

154-158 WEST CRAWFORD AVE.

Closing Out Sale Leonard Furniture Stock

AT THE

"Big Store Near the Bridge"

EVERYTHING FOR EVERY ROOM

1/4 to 1/2 Off Leonard Prices

Every piece of Leonard Furniture must go to make room for our immense purchases of new Spring Furniture, Rugs and Stoves. Prices are sensationally low and credit terms gladly arranged. Prompt delivery assured.

The First Buyers Here Tomorrow Will Get the Greatest Values Ever Offered in Period Dining and Bed Room Suites. There are just seventeen left.

Zimmerman-Wild Co.

Advertise in our Want column, one cent a word.

Announcing the Opening of the West Side Department Store

Smutz Building,

West Crawford Avenue at Sixth Street,
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PETEY DINK—Oh, He Lacks a Lot of Nerve

By C. A. VOIGHT



Long Live The King

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But it came perilously near to being a riot. Led by some students, pushed by others, the crowd surrounded the two carriages, first muttering, then yelling. A stone was hurled, and struck one of the horses. Another dented the body of the carriage itself. A man with a handkerchief tied over the lower half of his face mounted the shoulders of two companions, and harangued the crowd. They wanted no friendship with Karl. They wanted to see their national existence? He exhorted them madly through the handkerchief. A babel of



A Babel of Noise, of Swinging Back and Forth.

noise, of swinging back and forth, of mounted police pushing through to surround the carriage, of cries and the dominating voices of the student demagogues. Then at last a semblance of order, low muttering, an escort of police with drawn revolvers around the carriage, and it moved ahead. Through it all the chancellor had sat with folded arms. Only his livid face told of his fury. Karl, too, had sat impassive, picking at his small moustache. But, as the carriage moved on, he said: "A few moments ago I observed that there had been few changes. But there has been, I perceive, after all, a great change."

"One cannot judge the many by the few, majesty."

But Karl only raised his eyebrows. In his rooms, removing the dust of his journey, broken by the automobile trip across the mountains where the two railroads would some day meet, Karl reflected on the situation. A dant monarchy, one portion of it restless and revolutionary, was less desirable than the present peace and prosperity of Karlia. And unrest was contagious. He might find himself in a difficult position.

He glanced about his rooms. In one of them Prince Hubert had met his death. It was well enough for Karl to say the few could not speak for the many. It took but one man to do a murder, Karl reflected grimly.

But when he arrived for tea in the archduchess' white drawing room he was urbane and smiling. He kissed the hand of the archduchess and bent over Hedwig's with a flash of white teeth.

Then he saw Olga Loschek, and his smile stiffened. The countess came forward, curtisied, and as he extended his hand to her, touched it lightly with her lips. They were quite cold. For just an instant their eyes met.

It was, on the surface, an amiable and quiet tea party. Hedwig had taken up her position by a window, and was conspicuously silent. Behind her were the soft ring of silver against china, the countess' gay tones, Karl's suave ones, assuming gravity, as he inquired as to his majesty's health; the archduchess Annunziata pretending a solicitude she did not feel. And all forced, all artificial.

"Grandmother," Hedwig whispered from her window to the austere old bronze figure in the place, "was it like this with you, at first? Did you shiver when he touched your hand? And doesn't it matter, after a year?"

"Very feeble," said the archduchess, voice, behind her, "but so brave—a lesson to us all."

"He has had a long and conspicuous career," Karl observed. "It is sad, but we must all come to it. I hope he will be able to see me."

"Hedwig," said her mother, sharply, "your tea is getting cold."

Hedwig turned toward the room. Little ones gave her an added dignity, a new charm. Karl's eyes flamed as he watched her. Even her feelings appealed to him. He had a feeling that the coldness was only a young girl's armor, that under it was a deeply passionate woman. The thought of seeing her come to deep, vibrant life in his arms thrilled him.

When he carried her tea to her, he bent over her. "Please!" he said. "Try to like me."

"I'm sorry," Hedwig said quickly. "Mother has forgotten the lemon."

Karl smiled and, shugging his shoulders, fetched the lemon. "But, now?" he inquired. "And aren't you going to have a talk together?"

"If you wish it, I dare say we shall," "Majesty," said Hilda, frowning into her teacup. "I see a marriage for

you." She ignored her mother's scowl, and tilted her cup to examine it.

"A marriage?" Karl joined her, and peered with mock anxiety at the tea grounds. "Strange! that my fate should be confined in so small a compass! A happy marriage? Which am I?"

"The long yellow leaf. Yes, it looks happy. But you may be rather shocked when I tell you."

"Shocked?"

"I think," said Hilda, grinning, "that you are going to marry me."

"Delightful!"

"And we are going to have—"

"Hilda!" cried the archduchess fretfully. "Do stop that nonsense and let us talk. I was trying to recall, this morning," she said to Karl, "when you last visited us." She knew it quite well, but she preferred having Karl think she had forgotten. "It was, I believe, just before Hubert—"

"Yes," said Karl gravely, "just before—"

"Otto was a baby then."

"A very small child. I remember that I was afraid to handle him."

"He is a curious boy, old beyond his years. Rather a little prig, I think. He has an English governess, and she has made him quite a little woman."

Karl laughed, but Hedwig flushed.

"He is not that sort at all," she declared stoutly. "He is lonely and—rather pathetic. The truth is that no one really cares for him, except—"

"Except Captain Larisch!" said the archduchess smoothly. "You and he, Hedwig, have done your best by him, surely."

The bit of byplay was not lost on Karl—the sudden softening of Hedwig's back, Olga's narrowed eyes. Olga had been right, then. Trust her for knowing facts when they were disagreeable. His eyes became set and watchful, hard, too, had any noticed. There were ways to deal with such a situation, of course. They were giving him this girl to secure their own safety, and she knew it. Had he not been so mad about her he might have pitied her, but he felt no pity, only a deep and resentful determination to get rid of Nikky, and then to warm her by his own fire. He might have to break her first. After that manner had many queens of Karlia come to the throne. He smiled behind his small moustache.

When tea was almost over, the crown prince was announced. He came in, rather nervously, with his hands thrust in his trousers pockets. He was very shiny with soap and water and his hair was still damp from parting. In his tailless black jacket, his long grey trousers, and his round Eton collar, he looked like a very anxious little schoolboy, and not royal at all.

Greetings over, and having requested that his tea be half milk, with four lumps of sugar, he carried his cup over beside Hedwig, and sat down on a chair. Followed a short silence, with the archduchess busy with the tea things, Olga Loschek watching Karl, and Karl intently surveying the crown prince. Ferdinand William Otto, who disliked a silence, broke it first.

"I've just taken off my winter flannels," he observed. "I feel very smooth and nice underneath."

Hilda giggled, but Hedwig reached over and stroked his arm. "Of course you do," she said gently.

"Nikky," continued Prince William Otto, stirring his tea, "does not wear any flannels. Miss Brathwaite thinks he is very careless."

King Karl's eyes gleamed with amusement. He saw the infuriated face of the archduchess, and bent toward the crown prince with earnestness.

"As a matter of fact," he said, "since you have mentioned the subject, I do not wear any either. Your 'Nikky' and I seem most surprisingly to have the same tastes—about various things."

"Do you like dogs?" inquired the crown prince, much interested.

"Dogs? Why, yes. I have quite a number of dogs."

"I should think it would be nice to have just one dog, and be very fond of it. But I suppose they would eat a great deal. Do you believe in love at first sight?"

"Otto!" said the archduchess, extremely shocked.

He turned to her apologetically. "I was only trying to find out how many things he and Nikky agreed about," he explained. "Nikky believes in love at first sight. He says it is the only real kind of love, because love isn't a thing you think out. You only feel it."

The archduchess met Karl's eyes. "You see," she said.

"But it is sound doctrine," Karl observed, bending forward and with a slanting glance at Hedwig. "I quite agree with him again. And this friend of yours, he thinks love is the only thing in the world, I dare say?"

"Well, he thinks a great deal of it. But he says that love of country comes first, before anything else."

The archduchess glanced at Hedwig furiously. The girl had closed her eyes, and was sitting detached and pale. She would have liked to box her ears. Karl was no fool, and there was talk enough. He would hear it, of course.

"Tell us about your pilgrimage, Otto," she suggested.

"Well, I went," said the crown prince reflectively. "We walked a long time, and it was very warm. I have quite a large blister, and the archbishop had to take his shoes off and walk in his stockings, because his feet

hurt. No one saw. It was on a country lane. But I'm afraid it didn't do very much good." He drew a long breath.

"Not?" Karl inquired.

Suddenly the boy's chin quivered. He was terribly afraid he was going to cry, and took a large sip of tea, which cleared his voice.

"My grandfather is not any better," he said. "Perhaps some one else should have gone. I am not very good," he explained to Karl. "It ought to be a very good person. He is very sick."

"Perhaps," suggested Karl mockingly, with a glance at Hedwig, "they should have sent this 'Nikky' of yours."

Annunziata stirred restlessly. She considered this talk of Nikky in execrable taste.

"He is not particularly good."

"Oh, so he is not particularly good?"

"Well, he thinks he isn't. He says he doesn't find it easy to love his country more than anything in the world, for one thing. And he smokes a great many cigarettes."

"Another taste in common!" jeered Karl, in his smooth, carefully ironic tones.

Annunziata was in the last stages of irritation. There was no mistaking the sneer in Karl's voice. His smile was forced. She guessed that he had heard of Nikky Larisch before, that, indeed, he knew probably more than she did. Just what she wondered, was there to know? A great deal, if one could judge by Hedwig's face.

"I hope you are working hard at your lessons, Otto," she said, in the severe tone which Otto had learned that most people use when they refer to lessons.

"I'm afraid I'm not doing very well, Tante. But I've learned the 'Gettysburg address.' Shall I say it?"

"Heavens, no!" she protested. She had not the faintest idea what the "Gettysburg address" was. She suspected Mr. Gladstone.

The countess had relapsed into silence. A little back from the family circle, she had watched the whole scene stolidly, and knowing Karl as only a woman who loves sincerely and long can know a man, she knew the inner workings of his mind. She saw anger in the very turn of his head and set of his jaw. But she saw more, jealousy, and was herself half mad with it.

She knew him well. She had herself, for years, held him by holding herself dear, by the very difficulty of attaining her. And now this indifferent, white-faced girl, who might be his, indeed, for the taking, but who would offer or promise no love, was rousing him to the instinct of possession by her very indifference. He had told her the truth, that night in the mountain inn. It was Hedwig he wanted, Hedwig herself, her heart, all of her. And, if she knew Karl, he would move heaven and earth to get the thing he wanted.

She surveyed the group. How little they knew what was in store for them! She, Olga Loschek, by the lifting of a finger, could turn their snug superiority into tears and despair, could ruin them and send them flying for shelter to the very ends of the earth.

But when she looked at the little crown prince, less dazzling, eating his thin bread and butter as only a hungry small boy can eat, she shivered. By what means must she do all this! By what unspendable means!

Karl saw the king that evening, a short visit marked by extreme formality, and, on the king's part by the keen and frank scrutiny of one who is near the end and fears nothing but the final moment. Karl found the meeting depressing and the king's eyes disconcerting.

"It will not be easy going for Otto," said the king at the end of the short interview. "I should like to feel that his interests will be looked after, not only here, but by you and yours. We have a certain element here that is troublesome."

And Karl, with Hedwig in his mind, had promised.

"His interests shall be mine, sir," he had said.

He had bent over the bed then, and raised the thin hand to his lips. The interview was over. In the anteroom the king's master of the horse, the chamberlain, and a few other gentlemen stood waiting, talking together in low tones. But the chancellor, who had gone in with Karl and then retired, stood by a window, with his arms folded over his chest, and waited. He put resolutely out of his mind the face of the dying man on his pillow, and thought only of this thing which he—Mettlich—had brought about. There was no yielding in his face or in his heart, no doubt of his course. He saw, instead of the lovers loitering in the place, a new and greater kingdom, anarchy held down by an iron-shod heel, peace and the fruits thereof, until out of very prosperity the people grew fat and content.

He saw a boy-king, carefully taught, growing into his responsibilities until, big with the vision of the country's welfare, he should finally ascend the throne. He saw the river filled with ships, carrying merchandise over the world and returning with the wealth of the world. Great buildings, too, lifted their heads on his horizon, a dream city, with order for disorder, and citizens instead of inhabitants.

When at last he stirred and sighed, it was because his old friend, in his bed in the next room, would see nothing of all this, and that he himself could not hope for more than the beginning, before his time came also.

The first large dinner for months was given that night at the palace, to do King Karl all possible honor. The gold service which had been presented to the king by the czar of Russia was used. The anticipatory gloom of the court was laid aside, and jewels brought from vaults were worn for the first time in months. Uniforms of various sorts, and came away, bearing white, powdery traces of the meeting. The greenhouses at the summer palace had been sacked for flowers and plants. The corridor from the great station to the dining hall, always a dreary passage, had suddenly become a fairy path of early spring bloom. Even Annunziata, hung now with ropes of pearls, her hair dressed high

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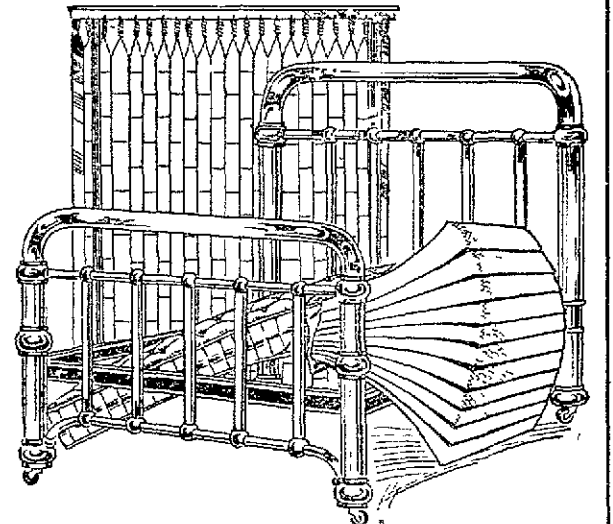
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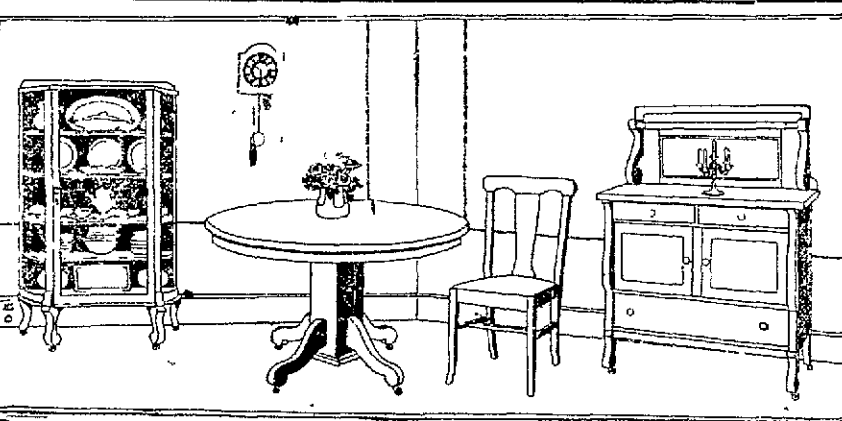
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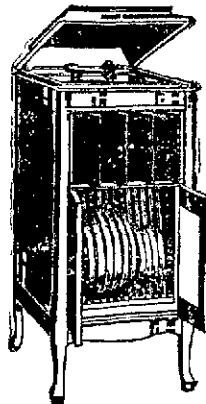
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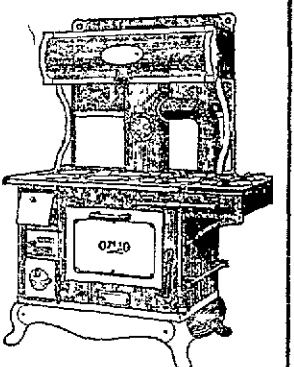
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That evening she took the crown prince to see the preparations for the festivities. The flowers appealed to him, and he asked for and secured a rose, which he held carefully. But the magnificence of the table only faintly impressed him, and when he heard that Nikky would not be present, he lost interest entirely. "Will they wheel my grandfather in a chair?" he inquired.

"He is too ill," Miss Brathwaite said.

"He'll be rather lonely, when they're all at the party. You don't suppose I could go and sit with him, do you?"

"It will be long after your bedtime."

Bedtime being the one rule which was never under and circumstances broken, he did not persist. To have insisted



might have meant five weeks off in Miss Brathwaite's book, and his record was very good that week. Together the elderly English woman and the boy went back to the school room. The Countess Loschek, who had dressed with a heavy heart, was easily the most beautiful of the women that night. A little court paid tribute to her beauty, and bowed the deeper and flattered the more as she openly scorned and flouted them. She caught once a flicker of admiration in Karl's face, and although her head went high, her heart beat steadily under it.

Hedwig was like a flower that required the sun. Only her sun was happiness. She was in soft white chiffons, her hair and neck like girl's and unpretentious. Her mother, coming into her dressing room, had eyed her with disfavor.

"You look like a schoolgirl," she said, and had cast for rouge, and with her own rosy hands applied it. Hedwig stood silent, and allowed her to have her way without protest. Had submitted, too, to a diamond pin in her hair, and a string of her mother's pearls.

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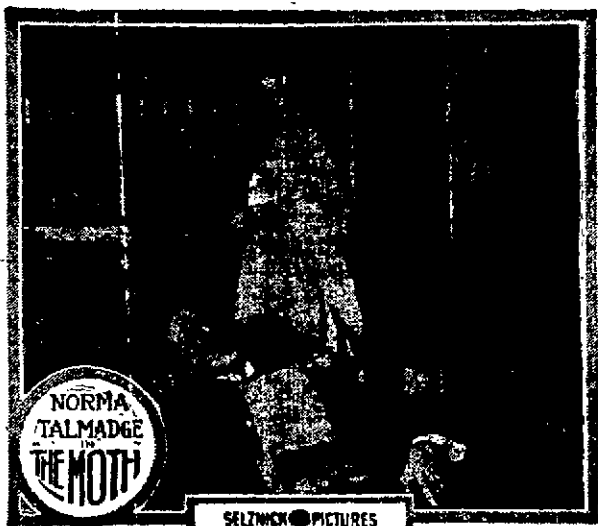
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THE SOISSON.

"TENNESSEE'S PARTNER"—Another rattling good production was seen at the Soisson yesterday. It was the well known comedy drama "Tennessee's Partner" which although not a new play gave unbounded pleasure to the audiences. Little Dorothy Burris again captivated all present by her charming characterization of the heroine and Mr. Bedell as always was capital in his part. The comedy and there was plenty of it fell to the lot of Frank Oliver and Miss Wilmer. Both players entered into the spirit of the author and kept everybody in screams "Tennessee's Partner" is decidedly worth seeing.—The vaudeville introduced between acts was up to the usual standard.

Next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the Manhattan Players are to appear in Hall Caine's greatest success "The Christian." Connellville players should crowd the Soisson at every performance of the extraordinary production for in seeing "The Christian" at the Manhattan Players popular prices they are getting the biggest theatrical value ever offered here. No less a star than Viola Allen played the piece at high prices in the principal theaters of the country and only unusual conditions could

permit the production. The full cast will several other competent players is required to produce the play. Later productions include "Lena Rivers," "Why Girls Go Wrong," "Under Two Flags," and the time honored "East Lynne."

THE ARCADE.

"JESSIE JAMES"—is the title of the rip-roaring farce which will be presented at the Arcade today and tomorrow by Stone's Twentieth Century show. This is a satire upon the Wild West or blood and thunder melodrama and is said to be very funny. Stone's company has been pleasing all week, especially the Jazz Boys' Quartet, which will be heard in new songs and Marcum and Washburn, the dancers, who will be seen in new dances. The picture will be William S. Hart in "In the Dark." It has the right punch. Coming next week is Hawk's Bon Bon Revue, which is said to be a first class show. Tock Murdock and Iris Kennedy, who are featured with the company, will be remembered as being here last May with the Sunshine Girls. The comedy of the college boy style and is up to the minute. The old Jazz Four is a quartet that sing novelty songs.

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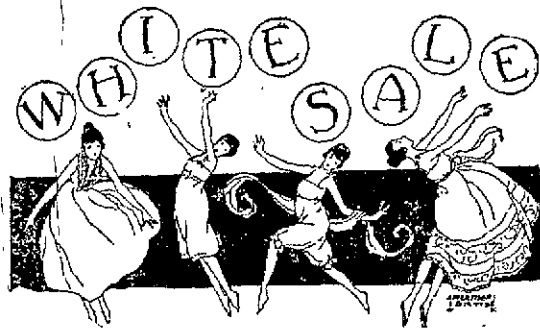
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Everyone Says It's Dandy

"TENNESSEE'S PARTNER"

Three Hours of Thrills and Mirth

Nights, 20 and 30c.

Matinees 10 and 20c

Saturday Night Only—"A Man's Game."

Coming Monday—"The Christian."

Annual Mystery Sale

Begins Friday, February 15th, and Lasting Until All Goods Are Sold

We have many odds and ends, broken lots, and only one or two of each article. As an inducement to get you to attend this sale we have put these articles in packages in this sale.

- 1—\$85.00 Diamond Ring.
- 1—\$65.00 Diamond Ring.
- 1—\$45.00 Diamond Ring.
- 2—\$25.00 Diamond Rings.
- 1—\$35.00 Diamond Lavalliere.
- 1—\$15.00 Reconstructed Ruby Ring.
- 1—\$12.50 Reconstructed Ruby Ring.
- 1—\$10.00 Reconstructed Ruby Ring.
- 1—\$50.00 21-jewel Hamilton Watch.
- 1—\$25.00 17-jewel Hamilton Watch.
- 1—\$25.00 17-jewel Wrist Watch.
- 1—\$20.00 15-jewel Wrist Watch.
- 2—\$20.00 Gold Coins with another article.
- 3—\$10.00 Gold Coins with another article.
- 5—\$5.00 Gold Coins with another article.
- 10—\$2.50 Gold Coins with another article.

These goods are in packages in the windows to show our good faith, and any one of the Doubting Thomases, who will prove that the goods mentioned above are not in the packages can have the \$20.00 in cash in our window. Look in the window and you will see the goods on display.

EXPLANATORY—Every article in the sale never sold for less than \$1.00 and as high as \$85.00. There is positively no exchanges of any kind. Do not try and judge the contents of the package by the size, for the diamond rings will be in the alarm clock boxes as well as ring boxes.

The Packages Sell For \$1.00 Each

And contain Watches, Clocks, Rings, Flash Lights, Razors, Knives, Chains, Lavallieres, and every article sold in a first class jewelry store.

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Big 15c Matinee Daily at 2:30. Evening Shows at 7:30 and 9:15.



Clean, Progressive Amusement for the Whole Family.

TODAY AND TOMORROW STONE'S 20TH CENTURY SHOW

In the Rip Roaring Satire Upon Western Melodrama

"JESSE JAMES"

On the Screen—WILLIAM S. HART, "In the Dark." Coming Next Week—"The Bon Bon Revue."

FEATURING

STONE'S JAZZ HARMONY FOUR

ANDY MARCUM

and

"DOC." WASHBURN

Late of Al G. Fields' Minstrels.

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL MAN IS GREAT EVENT OVER THERE

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Uncle Sam does thoroughly he keeps correct tab on you at all times and very little mail is lost, but sometimes delayed.

"For a long time you would be continually hearing the fellows remark I wonder when we will get our mail."

"It is the most welcome thing one can receive when in a foreign land. I'll endeavor first to answer your questions. As to bed clothes, I have sufficient as the army supplies us with three wool blankets one poncho which can be converted into a bed sack and one half sheeting tent. This shelter tent is used only when out from a base camp and by doubling up with another fellow you have one whole shelter tent big enough for two persons. They are called dog tents. We are at present in barracks each house holding from 100 to 125 men and sleep on cots which we build ourselves. On top of these we have a straw mattress and as we sleep double here every two fellows have six blankets and two ponchos on top and our shelter half on top of mattress to keep out the damp.

"The inside of the barracks is never dry as this is such a damp country but we sleep rather warm considering. Thank you very much for the offer of the white ones. In each barracks we have two small stoves burning wood and as many as can crowd around within a radius of ten feet are kept warm outside of this distance it is just like sleeping outdoors. We have become accustomed to it and really never mind the cold. You have to keep jumping in the early a.m. but after a bath in cold water, I never mind the cold in fact feel good and warm.

"We are up and have had breakfast before daylight and start to work by 7 a.m. Do not return for lunch as it is sent out in big cans. Are usually back in camp by dark and nothing else to do till next day. As it is three miles to town I never go in after supper, but lots of the fellows do. For this we must get a pass and each man is given one per week.

"I got mine on Sunday and have a good hot bath at a bathing house. It is always crowded and I am some times compelled to wait a couple of hours, but it's worth the time.

"I and another guy from Iowa, were in town last Sunday. We dropped in to a restaurant about 6:30 and had a meal on loan—the first decent meal since landing, though it did cost us seven francs each.

"We went by the shore road and you never saw anything so pretty as this road. And attended a movie which was quite good and the first I had seen. This fellow from Iowa (Massfield) went to Carnegie Tech and knows John Withers. Nice fellow. The rate at camp are only fair and the same thing day after day. Bacon, boiled potatoes, gravy bread and coffee for breakfast. Soup bread coffee, syrup for dinner. Roast beef or steak, boiled potatoes bread and coffee for supper.

"When you say the fellows in camp in the states are writing home for catsup, it makes me smile. Wait till they get here, they want it. Catsup, they will be asking for something to eat. I saw in a New York paper the menu for soldiers. Thanksgiving dinner abroad turkey cranberries, pie, nuts, etc. The soldiers had roast beef baked potatoes, beans bread and coffee, and the papers think they are getting away with this stuff.

"It wasn't for the Y. M. C. A. where we can go and buy a sandwich (American) and a cup of cocoa every evening this old same grub would look mighty small shortly.

"The Y. M. C. A. (foreign), is doing wonders for the American soldiers abroad. We can also get America tobacco, cigarettes, cigars etc. here. Occasionally some candy and cakes but there are so many soldiers here that they do not last more than a couple of days, then no more until next ship. Six transports came in yesterday, but they will not be unloaded before one week. The troops are arriving daily and there are a great many in France at present.

"I was visiting at the hospital a few days ago and such sights. Soldiers just from the trenches brought here and I heard some very interesting stories. This is a large hospital and capable of taking care of a great many patients.

"Have talked to men who have been over the top, bombed, gassed and bayoneted, and it is some life with the exception of a bad sore throat. I have been O. K. and have gotten rid of that now. Cold bath towels around my neck cured me.

"The quail here are larger than ours and the rabbits nearly as large again. They are rather expensive in the markets. The natives are compelled to get an order from the mayor in order to purchase sugar. I bought an apple pie the other day and it cost me three and one-half francs seventy cents. These French pastries look mighty fine, but when you shove your molars into them they are mostly air. Am beginning to pick up a little French but I can understand better than I can speak it.

"I really don't know how much I am permitted to say in these letters. Were my last ones censored?

"In order to give you an idea of the immensity of this place will say that on last Sunday forenoon there were twelve or fifteen football and baseball games going on at one time on our drill field. This is a very large camp and is growing. Water is the great drawback in this country and the people (natives) never drink it always we use cider.

"When we are in town we cannot get a drink of water any place but we have plenty at camp. It is hauled by the train load. France will never go prohibition."

With love your brother
R. C. WRIGHT,
25th Engineers Co. B
Amer. Exped. Force via N. Y.

Buy in Connellsville at
"The Store With the New
Styles First"



Gold Bond Stamps Pay
4% on What You Spend.

KAYSER Silk Gloves for SPRING

A Notable Showing Now Ready

—Two clasp Silk Gloves in white black and grey. Self embroidered and double tips. The pair, 60c.

—Two clasp Silk Gloves with contrasting embroidery white with black, grey-with-black, and all white. Double tips. The pair, 75c.

—Two clasp Silk Gloves with double tips and contrasting embroidery white-with-black and black with white. The pair \$1.00.



—Three clasp Silk Gloves with double tips and 5 tucks on wrist. Contrasting embroidery—white with black and mastic—with black. The pair, \$1.25.

—Two clasp Silk Gloves with double tips and half inch hem to contrast with embroidery, white-with-black. The pair, \$1.25.

—Two clasp Silk Gloves with double tips and self embroidery—white black, grey navy. The pair, \$1.25.

36 Inch Foulards to Sell at \$2 Yard

A Popular Spring Silk at a Moderate Price

—Dark navy backgrounds with ivory ring

—Copen background with brown-and-white checks

—Tan background with ivory dots

—Navy background with copen checks

—Ivory background with black stripes and rose-and-grey checks

36 Inch Fancy Silks

—Taffeta backgrounds with satin stripes or bars—ideal for separate skirts. Combination colors in blue gold, green and navy. The yard \$2 to \$3.

New Voiles for Pretty Spring Frocks

No matter what the weather may be today the time for lovely light frocks is fast approaching.

—Ready for your choosing today is an abundance of the lovely plain color voiles in light colors or darker ones 40 inches wide and 40c a yard.

—Also some 45 inches wide at 65c a yard

—Other new voiles in stripes plaids and unusual figures are in too many patterns to describe. They are 36 and 38 inches wide, and priced at 35c to \$1.00 a yard.

White Silks

—Washable White Satin 36 inches wide at \$2.00 and \$2.25 the yard

—White Crepe de Chine, good quality, at \$1.65 and \$2.25 the yard

Spring Styles for Men and Boys

Men's Suits
Men's Hats

Boys' Wool Suits
Boys' Wash Suits

One Extra Special Lot

Women's and Misses'

DRESSES

Worth Regularly up to \$17.50

\$14.95

A large collection of pretty styles suitable for late Winter and early Spring wear. Bought at a considerable price concession and sold the same way.

Taffetas Serges and combinations in choice of navy, copen and black. All sizes 16 to 44.

This special group should have your prompt attention for dresses at a price are in brisk demand.



WRIGHT-METZLER CO.

Heal Skin Diseases

It is unnecessary for you to suffer with eczema, blotches, ringworm, rashes and similar skin troubles. A little ointment obtained at any drug store for 35c, or \$1.00 for extra large bottle, and promptly applied will usually give instant relief from itching torture. It cleanses and soothes the skin and heals quickly and effectively most skin diseases.

Zemo is a wonderful, penetrating, disappearing liquid and is soothing to the most delicate skin. It is not greasy, is easily applied and costs little. Get it today and save all further distress.

The E. W. Rice Co., Cincinnati, O.

ELITES AND CLERKS

City League Basketball Game Will be Staged at Maccabee Hall.

A city league basketball game between the Baltimore & Ohio Clerks and the Elite club which defeated the Connellsville Garage Tuesday will be played at the Maccabee hall tonight. The big game will be called promptly at 8:30 o'clock. The Clerks and Elites have already played one game the latter team winning.

A preliminary game will be played between the high school seniors and a South Connellsville team. The senior class five has been together since the opening of the new high school. The preliminary game will be played by A. A. U. rules and the league game by National rules.

NORWIN HERE TOMORROW.

Irwin Team Will Face Local High on Gym Floor Here.

The Connellsville high school basketball team will play the Norwin high of Irwin at the local gym Saturday night. The game will be one of the hardest yet staged here, as Norwin is reputed to have not only a heavy but a fast aggregation.

The preliminary game will be played between the sophomore class of girls and the senior class. There have as yet been no girl preliminaries played at the high school and the first game tomorrow night will be an added attraction.

Classified Advertisements
Bring results. Cost only 1c a word.
Read the advertisements

BRITISH LABOR LEADER COMING TO UNITED STATES



William J. Thorne M. P. noted British labor leader who according to an English newspaper will come to this country as a member of a labor delegation which will soon leave England.

FORM CORPORATION.

W. E. Rice and Associates Organize
Irwin Valley Gas Coal Mining Co.
W. E. Rice Logan Rush and Thomas Love, who recently purchased 60 acres of Irwin basin gas coal from A. C. Stickle and associates for \$180,000 have formed a corporation to be known as the Irwin Valley Gas Coal company.

Application for a charter granting the right to mine coal and manufacture coke will be made on March 2.

Big G
A remedy for infections of the urinary tract. Relieves not only the pain but will not irritate. Available in 1 to 5 days.
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS.
Bottle 10c. 3 for 25c. 6 for 50c.
THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO., CINCINNATI, O.

NOW RAISES 600 CHICKENS

After Being Relieved of Organic Trouble by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Oregon Ill.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for an organic trouble which pulled me down until I could not put my foot to the floor and could scarcely do my work, and as I live on a small farm and raise six hundred chickens every year it made it very hard for me."

"I saw the Compound advertised in our paper, and tried it. It has restored my health so I can do all my work and I am so grateful that I am recommending it to my friends."—Mrs. D. M. Atkins, R. 4, Oregon, Ill.

Only women who have suffered the tortures of such troubles and have dragged along from day to day can realize the relief which this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, brought to Mrs. Atkins. Women everywhere in Mrs. Atkins' condition should profit by her recommendation, and if there are any complications write Lydia E. Pinkham's Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for advice. The result of their 40 years experience is at your service.

For a Chafed Skin
Over 100,000 people have proven that nothing relieves the soreness like **Sykes Comfort Powder**. One box proves its extraordinary healing power. Fleishy people take notice. 25c at the Vinal and other drug stores. The Comfort Powder Co., Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Kate Hall says "I have kept house 16 years as the mother of four children and I would not keep house without Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Wise Woman why? Drives away sickness brings health and happiness to the whole family. Connellsville Drug Co.—Adv."

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One cent a word is all they cost.

MEN

Here's the most important sale news you've read since the world went to war and prices went skyward. It's news you can't afford to overlook for it means money in your pocket and good clothes on your back. Beginning Thursday morning and lasting till closing time Saturday night—EIGHT SEPARATE AND INDIVIDUAL SALES—with our Semi-Annual Shirt Sale the foremost feature.

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



Sale 2500 Men's Shirts

Madras, percale and cord shirts in the most attractive patterns and colors. Well made, neatly finished—with five handsome pearl buttons and closely worked buttonholes. Your choice of laundered and soft turn-back cuffs. All sizes 13½ to 17½. And the most remarkable thing about the lot is that we are able to offer them at the same price as last year.

Same as
Last
Year

95 CENTS EACH

Entire Stock MANHATTAN SHIRTS REDUCED

Not a shirt in the entire lot excepted. Fine quality madras silk stripe and all silk shirts in the handsome patterns and colorings and of the quality for which the name MANHATTAN is famous. Here's the way you buy them now—

\$2.00 Shirts for	\$1.65	\$4, \$4.50 Shirts for	\$3.15
\$2.50 Shirts for	\$1.85	\$5.00 Shirts for	\$3.85
\$3.00 Shirts for	\$2.15	\$6, \$6.50 Shirts for	\$4.85
\$3.50 Shirts for	\$2.85	\$8.00 Shirts for	\$6.35
\$10 and \$12 Shirts for		\$7.65	

300 Men's Silk and Madras Shirts

Regular \$4 and \$6 Kinds

\$2.95

Broken lots taken from our regular stock and placed on sale at savings of \$1.05 to \$3.95 on every shirt. Soft turn-back cuffs good patterns. All sizes 13½ to 17.

50 Dozen Men's Four-in-Hand Ties

Special in the Sale at

25c

600 Ties all told in plain and fancy colors and stripes. Made full size in the big shapes men and young men like. Every man will want several at 25c.

Sale 150 Dozen Men's Sox

25c Pair

2 Pairs 25c

For 100 dozen pairs in black white blue grey taupe and tan. All sizes 9½ to 11½. Worth today 35c. Same colors not to be had at any price.



Fifty dozen—600 pairs—of good weight cotton Sox in black only to be sold at 2 pairs for 25c. Every man will recognize what wonderful values these are.

100 Dozen Men's Kerchiefs 3 for 25c

100 dozen—1200 handkerchiefs—in a sale at 3 for 25c. Most men will buy a dozen. Made of good quality cambric full size, and with a good wide hem.



50 DOZEN
ARROW
COLLARS
3 for 25c.

600 Collars in the lot. Discounted. Which prevent us carrying all sizes. Many conservative and selling well today. All sizes 13½ to 16½.

50 Dozen Men's Heavy Ribbed Cotton Union Suits

Regular

\$2 Value.

\$1.25

BOUGHT ONE YEAR AGO

Anyone who has bought underwear recently knows what prices are today and can easily imagine what the will be in another year. And that's why this sale is so important.



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